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ACTION MEMO FOR IO COL. LARRY MROZINSKI (SEE PARA 6)

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SUBJECT: STRATEGIC/OPERATIONAL PLANNER FOR USUN MILITARY

STAFF COMMITTEE

REF: A)DJSM 0393-07 4 MAY 2007

- 11. USUN requests LtCol. Glenn J. Sadowski, USMCR xxx-xx-xxxx, be activated to serve as the strategic/operational planner on the USUN Military Staff Committee (MSC) from 1 October, 2008 to 30 September 2010, per DJSM 0393-07 dated 4 MAY 2007 (REF A).
- 12. LtCol. Sadowski is the lead strategic/operational planner on the USUN Military Staff Committee (MSC) for UN Peacekeeping Operations (PKOs). LtCol Sadowski's primary focus is Africa where some 70,000 UN peacekeepers are deployed. This amounts to over two-thirds of the total UN global deployment, and approximately 70% of the current annual peacekeeping budget of \$7.2 billion.
- ¶3. LtCol Sadowski's is the point man for the U.S. interagency for Peacekeeping, particularly the UN/African Union Hybrid Operation in Darfur (UNAMID). He maintains constant interface with numerous UN member states, the UN Department of Peacekeeping Operations, UN Department of Field Support, U.S. Embassy Khartoum and the Joint Task Force Horn of Africa. LtCol Sadowski is responsible for providing daily updates to the U.S. Ambassador to the UN, and frequently briefs high-level US officials in New York and Washington, DC.
- 14. UN peacekeeping support U.S. national security interests. A credible UN peacekeeping presence in areas of regional instability eliminates the power vacuums that breed insurgencies, and can prelude the need for a unilateral U.S. deployment. The United States government therefore retains a significant financial and historical investment in UN peacekeeping. U.S. military planning assistance greatly improves the UNDPKOs planning process, and is in the interests of the United States Department of Defense.
- 15. LtCol Sadowski's extensive combat experience, peacekeeping experience, his knowledge and familiarity with planning and executing UN PKOs coupled with his familiarity with the United States Department of State is a unique combination that makes him eminently qualified for this assignment. Request that he be activated two years on a non-reimbursable basis in order to continue to serve in his current capacity as a strategic/operational planner on the USUN Military Staff Committee. This timeline coincides with the operational needs of the missions on which he is focused.
- 16. ACTION REQUEST: That State Bureau of International Organization Affairs send a official Memorandum to the Department of Defense Executive Secretary requesting LtCol Sadowski be activated from 1 October 2008 to 30 September 2010 to serve as the strategic/operational planner at USUN MSC.
- 17. The USUN Point of contact for this action is MSC Chief of

Staff COL Mark C. Easton, USA 212-415-4422 Khalilzad